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A BIG PROJECT.

The Object of Leong Kai Chu's Trip Across
the Pacific.

The Chinese reform leader, Leong Kai
Chu, who arrived on the liner Empress of
India this afternoon, has another object
in view besides arousing and stimulating
interest in the widespread reform move-
ment. As is well known, the fundamental
idea of the propaganda of Liang Yu Wei
and his colleagues is progress, and the re-
formers are determined to show that
there is something in the movement
besides patriotic commiseration. Leong
Kai Chu, first lieutenant, has been dis-
patched across the Pacific in the interests
of a big enterprise started by the Reform
Association, the organization of an exten-
sive transportation company, which will
probably have its headquarters in Hong-
kong, from which port the company's
business will ply to all parts of the world.
Plans are being submitted by the reformers
in China, Europe and America, and in
the latter continent alone \$500,000 has been
raised. From this province the great
Chinese reformer will leave for California
in the interests of the scheme.

NEWSPAPER MEN RESIGN.

Night Editor Lawrence Macrae and City
Editor F. I. Clarke sever connection
with the Colonist.

Lawrence Macrae, night editor of the
Colonist, has tendered his resignation, to
take effect at the end of the week. Mr.
Macrae has been connected with the morn-
ing paper continuously for the past eleven
years, with the exception of the period
during which he capably officiated as city
editor of the Globe. Mr. Macrae is a newspaper
man of tried ability and wide experience,
and during his association with the Vic-
toria dailies has made a legion of friends,
both among the members of the fourth
estate and in other walks of life.

Frank I. Clarke, who has presided over
the editorial department of the Colonist
as city editor for some time past, has also
severed his connection with the paper. Mr.
Clarke is a veteran in the journalistic ranks
and was connected with the Winnipeg
dailies for years before coming to the
Coast.

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J. KEITH, Mgr.

FIRE AT PORTLAND.

(Associated Press.)
Portland, Ore., March 3.—Fire in the Kum
block early today destroyed property val-
ued at \$180,000. The principal losses are
T. Kum, Lipman, Wolfe & Co., \$100,000;
and T. Kum & Co., owners of the building,
\$50,000.

COMING MARRIAGE.

(Associated Press.)
New York, March 3.—It is announced that
Adèle Ritchie, the comic opera actress, is
soon to be married to George Holland, of
London.

—Superior cutlery from Rogers &
Sons, Ltd., and Geo. Butler, of Shef-
field. The trum steel is alone used
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show window on Government street.
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CITY CAN HANDLE BIG CONVENTIONS

THE DELEGATES SAY
THEY ARE DELIGHTED

Victoria's Charms as a Convention Head-
quarters Admirably Displayed—
Gatherings for Summer.

The first annual convention of the B.
C. Mining Association belongs to history.
It had been so thoroughly success-
ful, so important and therefore so repeat-
ed with interest that it must stand in the
van of public movements born of an
honest desire and active determina-
tion to improve the conditions of the
country. It has been said, and truly,
with much force, that a great feature of
the convention has been its educational
character. It has shown that the mining
industry does not belong altogether
to those engaged in extracting wealth
from the earth, but to those in other pur-
suits as well.

This big meeting has been educational
in a direction which should prove ex-
tremely gratifying to the people of this
city. If they have taken the trouble to
ponder over the matter, it has shown
that Victoria can well take care of con-
ventions. It would be assurance dan-
gerously approximating egotism if the
citizens patted each other on the back
without being fortified by the sentiment
of visitors. But certainly the senti-
ment has been expressed with excep-
tional liberality, and the local populace
can well be pardoned a feeling of elation.
The convention is to be held here
next year. Surely that decision, prac-
tically unanimous, expresses the senti-
ment of the visitors on the charms of
this city as a convention headquarters.

There was any place in the province
more suitable it would have had a score
of champions. The convention was rep-
resentative of every locality, and al-
though the delegates by their loyal
speeches on the various important ques-
tions showed that they had the interests
of their respective communities at heart,
they felt that they could not honestly
suggest a place more satisfactory for the
purpose of a convention than the capital
city of the province.

The weather couldn't be surprised,
while the delegates to a man most heart-
ily appreciated the cordiality of their re-
ception. Everybody was more than
pleased. He was delighted, for there
wasn't a hitch from the time the dele-
gates first convened and elected Mr.
Keen chairman until last night, when
they assembled at the Driford to do honor
to Mr. Hobson, the founder of the or-
ganization. It is impossible to estimate
the benefits to be derived by this city
from the advertisement it will receive
as a result of the convention. It plays
right into the hands of the Tourist As-
sociation, and more than ever stimulates
its members to endeavor to secure every
convention it can.

If conventions have already been ar-
ranged for other places, the association
will leave no stone unturned in its ef-
forts to attract delegates here on their
way home. For instance, there will
be a couple of large gatherings in Cal-
ifornia in May and August. The Pres-
byterian Church of the United States will
meet in Los Angeles. By liberal ad-
vertisement there is no reason why a
certain proportion of these delegates
should not make the trip north en route
to their homes, and once within a hun-
dred miles of that city they will fall vic-
tims to its charms. The Grand Army of
the Republic will meet in "Frisco" in
August. Victoria should get some of
them also.

As far as British Columbia is concern-
ed it is unquestioned that no convention
could possibly be more important than
the one just terminated. But nevertheless
less great interest and importance must
be attached to the gathering of the Am-
erican Mining Institute which will be
held here in August. This will be rep-
resentative of all the mining interests of
America, and the mere fact of this place
being selected as the meeting place of
such a notable body is in itself an ad-
vertisement which can't be over estimat-
ed. In August the city reaches its full
glory in climate and beauty, and it
goes without saying that the delegates
to the big convention will be favorably
impressed as those who have been gar-
thered here the past few days. There
will be between four and five hundred
delegates in attendance.

Another convention having to do with
the mining industry will be held here
during the summer, when the Canadian
Mining Engineers will meet for their
annual deliberations. A body of news-
paper men will hold forth in June, the
Washington Press Association having
unanimously decided to gather in what
they glowingly described as "Beautiful
Victoria." The General Presbyterian
Assembly of Canada will convene in
Vancouver in June, and it is expected
that most of the delegates will visit
Victoria before returning home. This
city without any additional charge.

Altogether the Tourist Association and
citizens will have a very busy time. The
association didn't fail to keep the mining
delegates well supplied with some of its
choice literature while they were here.
Many copies of "Picturesque Victoria,"
the booklet recently issued, will through
them be circulated all over the province.
This little publication is one of the best
ever issued in any city, and contains
impressions expressed by visitors to Vic-
toria, as a tourist resort. Among those
quoted are the Prince and Princess of
Wales, E. F. Knight, the well-known

London correspondent; members of the
various newspaper staffs of the United
States; members of the contingents of Old
Country newspaper men, who visited this
city some time ago, and others. The half
tones were executed by the British Col-
umbia Engraving Company, and reflect
great credit on the local institution. The
Colonist was responsible for the very
artistic cover and for the press work.

LEGAL NEWS.

Applications in Chambers—March Sitting
of Supreme Court.

Mr. Justice Drake presided in Cham-
bers this morning and disposed of the fol-
lowing applications:
Wellington Colliery Company, Ltd.,
vs. Van Anda Copper Company.—An ap-
plication for an order substituting serv-
ice of the writ of summons herein.
Order made that service be substituted
by advertisement in a Seattle daily
paper. H. Maurice Hills for application.
Victoria Yukon Co. vs. British Yukon
Co.—Summons for security for costs.
Said over. Elliott for plaintiff, Cas-
sady for defendant.
R. Hedley City.—The application to
amend plan was further adjourned. L.
T. Duff, K.C., for application.

IMPERIAL SUBJECTS WILL BE DISCUSSED

Resolutions Which Canadian Manu-
facturers Will Submit to Chambers of
Commerce Meeting.

(Associated Press.)
Toronto, March 3.—Resolutions to be
submitted by the Canadian Manu-
facturers' Association at the forthcoming
meeting of the Chambers of Commerce to
be held in Montreal in August next have
been drawn up. The resolutions adopted
are twelve in number, and are as fol-
lows:

1. That British capital and emigra-
tion be directed more to the colonies than
to foreign countries.
2. That various colonies should under-
take to contribute to the expense of Im-
perial defence.
3. That a reciprocal preferential tariff
be established within the Empire.
4. That all treaties between Great Brit-
ain and foreign countries should leave
Great Britain free to enter into such re-
lations with the colonies and dependen-
cies as might be deemed expedient.
5. The establishment of a fast steam-
ship service between various ports of the
Empire.
6. The adoption of decimal currency
and metric system.
7. The establishment of intercolonial
commercial consuls.
8. Imperial postage system throughout
the Empire, not only on letters, but on
printed matter and parcels.
9. In all contracts for public works
preference to be given British subjects.
10. An Imperial commission to visit all
parts of the Empire and prepare a re-
port pointing out the resources of vari-
ous portions, and show how they may
be developed in the interests of the
whole.
11. That facilities should be arranged
whereby news to and from different
parts of the Empire should be trans-
mitted entirely through British channels,
and not be subject, as at present, to cen-
sorship and influence of foreigners.
12. That if the large fraction of land to
the north of Canada are not at the
same time part of our Dominion, or of the
Empire, and held with a clear title, that
steps should at once be taken to have
possession established.

FRIENDLY HELP.

Meeting Held This Morning—Letter From
Matti Kurikka.

The following letter has been received
from those who so kindly sent gifts of
clothing to the sufferers by the recent
fire on Malcolm Island:

Dear Miss Perin:—I really find myself
unable to express that feeling of thank-
fulness which yours and others' kindness and
generosity have raised among my friends
and myself. May God help us to show
ourselves worthy of that benevolence.
Sincerely yours,
MATTI KURIKKA.

President Kalevan Kansala Colonization Co.,
Limited.

At the meeting held this morning the
following donations were thankfully ac-
knowledged: Cash, Miss Woods, Mr. Mc-
Rae and the City; clothing, Mr. R. Croft,
Mrs. G. L. Milne, Miss Goward, Mrs. Wil-
liams, Mrs. Hickaby, Mrs. D. H. Kerr, Mrs.
Leeds, Mrs. Robertson, Miss Sherris, Mrs.
L. McQuade, Mrs. Greig, Mrs. Bone, Mrs.
Green, Mrs. McCandlish, Mrs. A. J. Morley,
Mrs. Goodall, Mrs. J. Irving and Mrs. Ina
Corwall.

Forty people received assistance during
the past month. Owing to so many men
being out of work, a large amount of money
had to be spent in meat, groceries and fuel
during February. The treasure is greatly
in need of funds to carry on the work.
The date of the annual meeting is fixed
for Thursday, March 10th, at 10 o'clock.

BOULES POLICIES.

Large Sums Reported to Have Been Ob-
tained From Insurance Companies.

(Associated Press.)

New York, March 3.—The records of the
bureau of vital statistics in the health de-
partment, according to Assistant District
Attorney Krotel, have been invaded and
changed by the band of \$1,000,000 insurance
swindlers through employees in the depart-
ment, by which the band have been en-
abled to collect upon bogus insurance
policies which would not otherwise have
been paid. "I have been told," said Mr. Krotel,
"that the band have been allowed to pass a
case of death which could be questioned by in-
surance companies." A strict investigation
is being made.

MINISTER PLEASSED WITH ELECTION

WILL STRENGTHEN THE
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Only Seven Straight Conservatives Re-
turned in New Brunswick—
Notes From Ottawa.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, March 3.—Hon. A. G. Blair
has returned from New Brunswick, where
he was fighting for the Tweedie
government, which was sustained. This
contest was on party lines; the first time
since Confederation that this has taken
place. There are 46 seats in the provin-
ce. Of these 36 Liberals were elected to
support the government, two Liberals in
the opposition and one Independent.
Conservative supporting the government.
This leaves only seven straight Conserva-
tives elected in the whole province.
Hon. Mr. Blair is greatly pleased, and
says the result will strengthen the Dom-
inion government. Some newspapers
were saying during the contest that Hon.
Mr. Blair was at one time a Conserva-
tive. He denied this. He said that he
had been a Liberal all his life, and only
once under special circumstances had he
voted for a Conservative.

Mr. Colmer's Successor.
W. L. Griffith, Canadian government
agent at Cardiff, Wales, has been ap-
pointed to succeed Mr. Colmer in the
high commissioner's office, London, Eng-
land. Mr. Griffith, before going to Car-
diff, was for several years a resident of
Manitoba, and experienced pioneer life
there. Hon. Clifford Sifton appointed Mr.
Griffith to go to Wales in 1897 to do im-
migration work. He has been one of the
most successful agents in the Old Coun-
try, and has lost no chance in placing
the advantages of Canada as a field for
immigration before the people.

The Chinese Question.
The Evening Journal says: "Senator
Templeman, who had charge of the pol-
itical campaign in Burrard, and who suc-
ceeded in having the government candi-
date elected by a large majority after a
stiff fight, is more convinced than ever
that the Chinese trouble on the Pacific
coast should be dealt with. Mr. Temple-
man has all along maintained this in
his newspaper, and has not changed his
views since he became a minister of the
crown. Burrard is the second by elec-
tion that the Senator and his political
friends carried since the last general elec-
tion, notwithstanding that they had to
face the charge that the Dominion gov-
ernment was not voting the views of
the people of the province in respect to
Oriental immigration. To make mat-
ters worse the provincial government was
passing legislation outside its jurisdiction,
which would have the effect, if not
vetoes, of excluding Japanese as well as
Chinese. The Imperial government
would not allow anti-Japanese legisla-
tion, and even if it did, the need for it
has now disappeared as Japan has taken
the matter up and prevented immigra-
tion to Canada. There is, therefore, the
Chinese question alone to be dealt with,
and it may be taken for granted that Mr.
Templeman will lay the same views as
he has laid before his colleagues. He is
forcibly and effectively before his col-
leagues in the cabinet as he did in the
by-elections in Vancouver and Victoria,
both of which returned government sup-
porters."

Oil and Fertilizer.
The Fisheries department is informed
of an investment Pacific coast Japs have
made on the advice of their own authori-
ties in a factory to convert waste fish
into oil and fertilizer. It is against the
Fisheries Act of Canada to use fish as
a fertilizer, but the department will
probably make an exception in this case
as immense quantities of herring are
washed up on the shore of Vancouver
Island. If the operations of the concern
threaten the fish life of those waters the
department will order that the works be
closed.

RESOLUTIONS MIXED.

Misplaced Motion in the Report of the
Mining Convention at Yesterday
Morning's Meeting.

In yesterday's report of the mining
convention the resolution introduced by
Mr. Heddeman and Smith Curtis, and to
which the latter spoke, was incorrectly
given. The resolution which appeared
was that introduced by Smith Curtis, M.
P., dealing with the opening of the
coal lands now held by the Dominion
government in the Crow's Nest. The re-
solution upon which the discussion in-
troduced by Mr. Curtis was based, was
as follows:

Whereas certain provincial lands con-
taining valuable deposits of coal or petro-
leum or both, notably in the southeast cor-
ner of the province and on Graham Island,
one of the Queen Charlotte Islands, have
been put under reserve, thereby preventing
development and to the great detriment of
the revenue of the province; and whereas
the Canadian Pacific railway in improperly
claiming to the said lands in the south-
east portion of the province.

Resolved, That the provincial government
be urged to insist to the uttermost the
said claim of the railway.

And that the government should, without
delay, open said lands to prospectors
and settlers on fair and equitable
terms, reserving, however, for the prov-
ince a portion of the coal and petroleum
lands and retaining reasonable supervision
and control over those granted to locators.

—New goods arriving all the time at
"the big house" furnishing establish-
ment. Ask to see the tapestry
squares, new wallpapers and many other
goods for "spring trade." Weller Bros.

SITUATION UNCHANGED.

Strikers Claim That One Hundred Men
Will Quit Work at Revelstoke
To-Day.

(Special to the Times.)
Vancouver, March 3.—The strike
situation is unchanged to-day. The strik-
ers claim that at Revelstoke one hundred
men are going out this afternoon, and
that at Winnipeg men are also ready.
Last night's public union meeting was
well attended, and considerable moral
support was promised the strikers. There
is a probability that L. MacKenzie King,
deputy minister of labor, will come down
here to consider the situation.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

It Is Generated by a Belt Connecting
Dynamo and the Axle of Cars.

(Associated Press.)
New York, March 3.—Representatives
from many railroads have witnessed a suc-
cessful demonstration of a device for light-
ing railroad cars with electricity. The in-
vention was tested on a run over the New
York Central to Croton and return, and
the system will shortly be adopted. The
light is generated by a dynamo by a belt
connected with the axle of the car. When
the train stops the lights are supplied from
storage batteries in the car. A speed of
only 12 miles an hour is needed to generat-
e sufficient electricity to light the lamps. The
light is generated at a higher rate of speed
surplus obtained at the whole province.
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says the result will strengthen the Dom-
inion government. Some newspapers
were saying during the contest that Hon.
Mr. Blair was at one time a Conserva-
tive. He denied this. He said that he
had been a Liberal all his life, and only
once under special circumstances had he
voted for a Conservative.

THE ALASKA BOUNDARY TREATY

Ratifications Exchanged by Represen-
tatives of Great Britain and
United States.

(Associated Press.)
Washington, D. C., March 3.—Sec-
retary Hay and Sir Michael Herbert to-
day exchanged ratifications of the
Alaskan boundary treaty. The prepara-
tion of the two sides will proceed with
all speed, as under the treaty the ques-
tion must be submitted to the commis-
sion within sixty days.

The treaty provided that these ratifi-
cations might be exchanged either here
or in London, but it was decided to com-
plete the treaty in Washington to save
time. It will require the greatest effort
on the part of the United States govern-
ment to have its case ready within the
appointed time. The Washington gov-
ernment has come into possession in re-
cent years of a vast amount of data
touching on this controversy which, to
be of use, must be thoroughly studied.
Secretary Hay has placed this work on
the shoulders of ex-Secretary John W.
Foster, assisted by Mr. Lansing. Owing
to the magnitude of the task, it is dou-
tful, however, if they can be ready within
the specified time.

Now that the ratifications have been
exchanged, it is understood the person-
nel of the American commissioners will
be formally announced. It is known un-
officially that they will be Secretary
Root, Senator Lodge and Senator
Turner.

WILL BE EXCLUDED.

(Special to the Times.)
Ottawa, March 3.—Senator Temple-
man has been able to carry out his prom-
ise to the electors of Burrard, and has
laid his views on Chinese and Japanese
immigration before his colleagues, with
the result, it is reported, that legisla-
tion will be introduced next session in-
creasing the head tax on Chinese to \$500. The
question of Japanese immigration will
also be dealt with.

PERSONAL.

W. D. Kinnaird has returned from a
visit to New York. He traveled by the
C. P. R. route both ways, and visited
Montreal, New York, and other points.
At New York Mr. Kinnaird spent three weeks,
and says he thoroughly enjoyed his three weeks'
stay there.

Mrs. Robt. Dunsinuir and A. Magnusson
were passengers from the Sound
by the steamer Majestic yesterday after-
noon.

J. N. Peterson, a mining man, of San
Francisco; A. E. Thorne and W. A. Cutler,
commercial travellers, are among the guests
at the Vernon hotel.

Among the guests at the Driford are the
following: H. H. Green, of San Francisco;
A. S. Collins, of San Francisco; H. W.
Kierulff, of Milwaukee; Wm. Spier, of
Grand Forks, B. C.; A. Bodin, of Vancou-
ver; B. Smith, of Vancouver; F. E. Deuch,
of Hamilton, Ont.

Stewart, of Vancouver; John N. Peter-
son, of San Francisco, Cal.; and S. H.
Griffith, of Astoria, are among those at the
Vernon hotel.
F. E. Harrison, a commercial traveller,
of Niagara Falls; Capt. W. P. Stewart, of
Vancouver; V. D. Curry, of Kamloops; and
A. Gossell, of Port Simpson, are among
those at the Dominion hotel.
A. Brownell, of Astoria, a prominent
mining man, will leave by the next steam-
er for the North. Mr. Brownell is registered
at the Dominion hotel.
Geo. S. Butts, a commercial mar., of
St. Louis, and D. D. Birks, of Spokane, are
at the Victoria hotel company, is registered
at the Victoria hotel.

R. B. Hathred, of Chemsu; H. Smith,
of Duncan; and D. D. Baxter, of Spokane,
are among the guests at the Victoria hotel.
A. E. Wood, of the Victoria, Sidney &
Terminal railway, arrived from Vancouver
last night, and is staying at the Driford
hotel.

W. H. Smith, advance agent of the Jus-
tin Shirey theatrical company, is registered
at the Dominion hotel.
John Hector has resigned the manage-
ment of the ship of the Victoria hotel
for that business for three and a half years.
Capt. McKenna, Thos. Cunningham and
Dr. Haynolds arrived from Vancouver last
evening by the Princess Louise.

STRUGGLED FOR PLACES IN CHURCH

CELEBRATION OF MASS
BY THE POPE TO-DAY

Immense Throng Filled St. Peter's and
Many Persons Fainted From Ex-
citement or Fatigue.

(Associated Press.)
Rome, March 3.—From early to-day
all Rome was on the alert, and showing
unusual animation and interest in the
twenty-fifth anniversary of Pope Leo
XIII. The movement was principally
noticeable at the leading hotels, which
were illuminated as though for a ball.
The scene on the piazza of St. Peter's
was magnificent. There were assembled
many hundreds of Italians in various
modern uniforms, wearing a striking con-
trast with medieval costumes of the
Swiss Guard on duty at the
bronze doors of the cathedral. The
crowds which gathered before the first
cordon of troops were impatient as they
stood dripping under the persistent rain.
There was a great clashing of umbrellas
and a great feeling of discomfort among
the sight-seers, who include many women
in most varied attire, comprising foreign-
ers of all nationalities and Italians from
all parts of the country, the uniformity
of the crowd being pleasantly broken by
groups of students in the different gowns,
and Catholic students picturesquely attired.

When finally the doors of St. Peter's
were opened an almost indescribable
struggle occurred, in which all forgot the
rules of politeness and strove hard with
elbows and feet to reach the interior of
the sacred edifice, where the sides were
heaped with fear and imprecations not
very well suited to the spot where a no-
table religious ceremony was about to be-
gin.

Once in the cathedral the ladies who
wore lace veils found them to be in a
much mutilated condition. The tribunes
were soon crowded to overflowing, and
all the best standing places were taken.
A period of comparative calm succeeded
this great rush. The attention of the
people was attracted to the gilded throne
of the high altar and to the immense
pillars of the basilica hung with rich silken
draperies. Some of the tribunes were
filled with men and women
blazing with decorations. In a group of
royal personages were the Crown Prince
Victoria of Sweden and Norway,
the Grand Duchess of Saxe-Weimar,
Duke Robert of Parma, the Grand
Duchess of Mecklenburg, Prince of
Lithuania and Prince Maximilian of
Saxony. In a special tribune was the
Prince's family, the diplomatic corps,
the members of the Order of Malta, all
in full uniform.

Special interest was shown in the in-
novation introduced by the different or-
dinations of the Papal guards. The
Swiss guards wore red velvet knee
breeches, red leggings, black shoes with
red rosettes, burnished steel cuirassiers
inlaid with gold and steel collars, in ad-
dition to large white cane shields starch-
ed stiff, falling over their shoulders. The
silver-mounted arms of the Swiss guards
were inlaid with gold and its members
wore steel helmets with red ostrich
plumes, similar to the helmets of the
sixteenth century. The Noble guard
wore their uniforms of bright red.
At 11 o'clock, preceding the great bell
of St. Peter's rang out, the Pope was
followed by the clanging of the bells
in about 300 churches in Rome as they
sounded the announcement that the Pon-
tiff was on his way to the Basilica. The
life of the Ancient City paused for a mo-
ment, hats were raised and the sign of the
cross made. Shortly afterwards the
side St. Peter's silver trumpets roared
out their message and the Pontiff ap-
peared. The people held their breath
for a moment. Then all the pent up en-
thusiasm burst forth in a tremendous
roar of welcome. From his elevation on
the new sedia ferrea carried by the
twelve men in costumes of red brocade,
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and surmounted by a white and gold
canopy, the Pope appeared to be more
than a human being. He seemed to be
a white spirit, this impression being added
by the Pontiff's white robes and white
rapiere, delicate features, a face as white
as alabaster and thin hands moving
slowly in benediction. It almost seemed
as if all human attributes had been ex-
pelled from that slender venerable form,
and thousands of voices shouted: "Long
live Pope Leo." Handkerchiefs fluttered
in the air, the banners of various socie-
ties represented were waved, and many
of those present, overcome with emotion,
sobbed loudly, while others fainted from
excitement or fatigue.

All the while the Pope proceeded slow-
ly on his way. When the Pope arrived
at the throne, a ceremony proceeded and
the Pope read the opening prayer. The
Pontiff knelt and prayed. Then he rose
without assistance, and the celebration
of Mass began. At the moment of the
elevation of the Host a profound silence
fell on the assemblage, the guards pre-
sented arms, the people knelt, where it
was possible for them to do so, and
from the cupola came the clear sounds of
several trumpets. The Pope then ad-
ministered the Papal benediction and re-
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THE END NOT YET.

It seems the press of the province was a trifle premature in assuming that the result of the election in West Yale practically sealed the doom of the government of Colonel Prior. There is a factor in the situation they failed to reckon with, a factor which, in the light of the political history of the past few years, they should have taken into consideration before concluding that the present administration was tottering to its fall. The following letter, which appeared in the Vancouver World, will explain:

Editor World: I was very much surprised to read your editorial of last evening, urging that a new government should be formed under the leadership of Mr. McBride.

I have no hesitation in saying that as between a government with Mr. McBride at its head and having as colleagues his principal supporters in the present House, I would very much prefer the present government.

I wish it distinctly understood that I will not in any way assist in defeating the present government unless it is most clearly and distinctly understood and agreed that no attempt will be made to form any other combination in the present House, but that an immediate appeal will be taken to the country in order that the practically unanimous desire of the people of this province to conduct provincial affairs on party lines may be carried out.

I have very serious objection to much of the proposed legislation of the Prior government, but I am well aware that Mr. McBride and his supporters oppose such legislation, not because it is against their principles, but because they wish to harness the government.

I have abundance of proof that they would be willing to go much further in subsidizing railways without restrictions in favor of the public, than even the Prior government was prepared to do, provided that they were in return for these concessions allowed to occupy the treasury benches.

The fact that their actions are not guided by any principle is clearly shown by their willingness to enter into a combination with Mr. McBride and become responsible for all that gentleman's political sins, while for private and personal reasons of their own they were not willing to make the same combinations with Col. Prior.

I hope your editorial was not inspired by Mr. McBride or any of his supporters. I have agreed with them to assist in defeating the Prior government, but only upon the express condition that they were to make no attempt to carry on the affairs of the country with the present House.

Your editorial alarms me, and I certainly shall move very carefully in the future, and take every means in my power to prevent any action of mine having the effect of substituting Mr. McBride and his cohorts for Col. Prior and the present government.

I am, however, thoroughly convinced that it is in the interest of the people of the province to put a speedy end to the present government, and unless I have the clearest proof to the contrary, I will not believe that Mr. McBride and his friends have any intention of perpetrating any such double shuffle upon myself and other members of the House who feel as I do in this connection.

Yours truly,
JOSEPH MARTIN.
Vancouver, Feb. 28, 1903.

In view of the above, let not any man in his haste henceforth say that he can foretell what a day may bring forth to the politicians of British Columbia. Mr. Martin, strongly supported Mr. Semlin, the candidate of the opposition, against the nominee of the government in West Yale. He issued a circular clearly setting forth his reasons for desiring the defeat of the government. Now it appears that it is the introduction of "party lines" that is necessary, not the defeat of the Prior administration, to secure for British Columbia the government that will give her political peace and commercial and industrial prosperity. Consequently the versatile member for Vancouver, if he cannot dictate the terms upon which the affairs of the province shall be conducted by the party having the sentiment of the majority of the electorate behind it, will use what influence he possesses to keep the representatives of the minority in power. Stable, efficient government and the enactment of laws

necessary to the advancement of the interests of the province are matters of no moment compared with the enforcement of "party lines" and the elevation of ambitious men to the leadership of party factions.

People who cannot rise to the high altruistic heights from which the member for Vancouver looks down with contempt upon the grovelling of meaner men may say that Mr. Martin desired the election of Mr. Semlin in order that his position as arbiter of the destinies of government might not be impaired. Others who cannot comprehend selfishness and independence will probably say he resented the efforts of the government to wrench itself free from his grasp and was determined to maintain his ascendancy. It is well to keep the balance evenly maintained in order that it may be depressed to one side or the other at the will of the manipulator. Practical politicians know how to manage these things and what an advantage it is to have a "cinch" on a government. In any case, it appears that matters are practically as they were when the House prorogued last year. The Prior government will yield in all points to its boss rather than resign. And so matters may go on until time puts an end to the life of the present ill-starred assembly, unless in the present of the erratic fits to which the master of the administration is subject he should rise up and smash the "works," and laugh in derision at the havoc he has wrought.

It is quite clear that the introduction of "party lines" cannot be brought about by the maintenance of the Prior government in power until the end of the term of the present legislature. The Colonel is not the man to yield to the demands of Conservatives, cast his colleagues in the government aside and surrender his title to political leadership. If the present assembly passes out of existence in the usual timely fashion the government will have the right to appeal to the country as a government, which will be sufficient to preclude the effective introduction of federal party lines. Therefore it is up to Mr. Martin to put forth a more plausible reason for his decision to support the government.

As we have often pointed out, the ways of the politicians of British Columbia are past finding out. There was a reason for the confidence of the government in its ability to command a majority in the House. The foundation for this confidence has apparently been revealed. If there is to be a dissolution, it will not be for a little while.

NEW BRUNSWICK ELECTIONS.

The provincial elections in New Brunswick, held on Saturday last, have more than a passing interest. Hitherto federal party lines have not been observed in the local arena in that province. Four years ago Mr. Foster sought to have the established rule in that regard departed from, and at a Conservative convention held at Moncton, a party-line fight against the government was declared. The result was a great victory for the administration, but it was only incidentally a Liberal triumph, because the administration, which contained some Conservatives, did not accept Mr. Foster's challenge. But, like the Bourbons, the New Brunswick Conservatives never learn anything, and believing that they could distinguish a rift in the Liberal ranks, they resolved once more to measure their strength with their opponents. This time their challenge was promptly met, and the result has been a signal victory for the Liberals. It is worth noting that in the interval between the two elections, the Conservative members of the government, including the Premier, have cast in their lot with the Liberal party.

There is no room for doubt as to the nature of the issue. W. H. Thorne, the principal owner of the St. John Sun and the real Conservative leader in New Brunswick, caused himself to be interviewed in Montreal a few weeks before the election, when he told the Gazette that they were going into the fight because "if the Tweedle government be defeated, Mr. Blair's right arm will be gone." The words were hardly out of Mr. Thorne's mouth before Mr. Blair was off to New Brunswick to see that his right arm was not seriously impaired. He accepted the issue without equivocation. Addressing the electors in St. John on his arrival, he told them that he had come there because "it was his business to see that in New Brunswick nothing occurs to weaken the Liberal party." He also said: "If you are to carry on the government of this Dominion successfully by the Liberal party, you must recognize the principle that Dominion politics must dominate the politics of the province." On this issue the Liberals won by nearly four to one. The result is a great personal triumph for Mr. Blair and a splendid vindication for the Liberal party, which thus has become supreme in a province which twelve years ago was regarded as a Conservative stronghold.

The Canadian Finance Minister in a speech in Ontario recently pointed out that if the Conservative policy had been in force during the past six years the taxpayers of Canada would have contributed fifteen million dollars more to the revenue of the country than was collected under the present tariff. That is, granting that the prosperity of the country and the volume of trade would have been as large as it has been under the less oppressive system, which is



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very doubtful. In addition to the fifteen millions, some millions more would have gone into the pockets of the protected classes on account of the higher prices the increase protection the classes were accorded would have enabled them to exact. A saving of from fifteen to twenty million dollars is a considerable relief to a population of five millions and a half. It will hardly be denied that such relief has had something to do with the general revival of business throughout the country.

We hope Conservatives in this end of the Dominion will not be too much cast down over the result of the general elections in New Brunswick. The principles of the great party are spreading, slowly, it is true, but still they are extending. In the assembly which was dissolved a few weeks ago there were only five Conservative members out of a total of forty-six. In the new House there will be seven. If nothing occurs to block the path of progress Liberals will surely be in a minority in about twenty-four years. In Dominion affairs the party is surging forward at about the same pace. The party should begin now to prepare for a triumph all along the line. The fact that few of the present prominent politicians will live to see that day is the only depressing feature.

The legislature of the state of Washington is endeavoring to tax foreign banks out of existence there. The Vancouver News-Advertiser stamps this short-sighted policy as something "the rank growth of protectionist principles" has developed in the United States. Mr. Foster, one of the leaders of the Conservative party in Canada, says he would raise the tariff so high that it would be impossible for outsiders, British or foreign, to do business with Canadians. Such utterances are surely evidence of a rank growth it would be well for Canadians to keep their eyes open to the ground. The Liberal party came into power at a very opportune time.

We beg to withdraw a previously expressed opinion that the Prior government ought to resign. The sentiment of the electors of the province is unmistakably opposed to it, but a greater than the people has spoken, and a more substantial plan than the well-being of the province has been advanced in its behalf. Scapleys will please read the letter in another column. In a moment of forgetfulness we overlooked the unreliable factor in our political life. Now we understand what Mr. Gilmour meant when he said he was in entire accord with his leader. Let the government of the country go on. Prepare for another farcical session of the Legislature.

The correspondent of the London Times says President Roosevelt wanted two celebrated geographers appointed on the Alaska Boundary Commission. As he did not appoint them, it is fair to assume that if he insisted the Senate would have thrown out the treaty and that it practically dictated who should be appointed. That accounts for the change of attitude towards the treaty.

A Canadian billiard player has beaten the champion of America and tied in games won with the champion of France. The contests took place in Paris last. Mr. Sutton is claimed by the United States press as an American of course. But he was born and trained in Quebec or Galt, in the province of Ontario, and gained a reputation as an expert in Toronto.

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THE BOUNDARY COMMISSION.

To the Editor:—The Alaskan boundary is to be determined by means of a most unique board of arbitration. It may be that an agreement will be come to—yet, it is only reasonable that there should be some misgivings. The proposed constitution of the board on the part of the United States is not such as could reasonably have been expected. Without discussing the names proposed—and considering their abilities, which cannot be denied—it is worthy of remark that they are active politicians; and it can hardly be said that men in active political life can fulfil the requirement of being "jurists"; they may be most creditable, but, so long as they are in the atmosphere of active politics, it is submitted that internationally they do not come within the understood term of "jurists," especially where the affairs of nations are to be passed upon, and they are acting in the interests of their own nation.

There can be no question that a condition precedent to the embarkation upon an inquiry, such as has been determined upon, should be the appointment, upon both sides, of well known and acknowledged jurists, preferably from the bench. It is not difficult for the United States to make selection out of the many men of renown in its judiciary, men of international reputation. This is also the case with Great Britain, inclusive of the dominions beyond the seas.

The composition of the board of arbitration, especially as it is to be without an umpire, should be such as would call forth from both countries the united declaration that the personnel thereof was beyond question, and assuredly impartial.

It is true, that we in Canada look with some distrust upon arrangements had and come to by the Imperial government with the United States. This is owing to the mistakes of the past, and Canada must see to it that the mistakes are not heeded of the present. It must not be forgotten that British statesmen are men with tremendous responsibilities upon them, and whilst they are in every way desirous of conserving the best interests of the Empire, it is most essential that Canada's interests are at stake, that Canada's statements and Canada's people should be alive to the question and ready to assist and advise, and even protest where necessary.

The position attained by Canada now is one of nationhood; and, as the Monroe doctrine would seem to be admitted by Great Britain, it should be well understood that in admitting it it means that the United States shall not be allowed a foot more of the North American continent than she can clearly establish her right to, and that Canada is to have preponderance to her every foot of the North American continent which is hers as of right. In blaming England, as has been done, for being careless in not maintaining territory rightfully belonging to Canada, it must not be forgotten that little information was obtainable and no local aid given. But that time is past. Canada's statesmen have now a most solemn duty and grave responsibility, and to the people they must answer. It is to be hoped that the Dominion government will most respectfully, but most firmly, protest, through the proper channel of communication, against the names proposed upon the part of the United States, and suggest that jurists of known repute be appointed, free of political entanglements.

It is to be hoped that in the appointment of those to represent His Britannic Majesty, attention will be paid to the need of appointing one or two who, being jurists of known repute, have some special knowledge and acquaintance with the territory in question. This knowledge will necessarily be in those appointed by the United States, as residence alone on this continent carries with it some considerable knowledge of this kind, especially in the case of those resident on the Pacific coast, as undoubtedly the matter for adjudication has been of a public nature for some time.

Reverting to the question of England's forgetfulness of the past, let us not forget that even our fellow-countrymen and the government of the day at Ottawa, as well as past governments, have at times not given sufficient attention to matters of importance in the West as we would wish, and loss has been sustained by reason of insufficient local knowl-

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Victoria, March 3rd, 1903.

Notwithstanding the crowds that attended The Sterling's clearing out sale yesterday, there are still loads of good bargains left. 39 Government street.

A mothers' meeting will be held in the 3rd division room of Spring Ridge school at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. Subject: "Influence of Example," paper by Mrs. Wescott.

—W. A. Gungow, Charlie X. Yuen and Charlie Dan, members of the Vancouver branch of the Reform Association, arrived from the Mainland the other day for the purpose of meeting Leong Chi-tso, or Leong Chai Chu, as he is often called, honorary vice-president of the association, who arrived from the Orient by the Empress of India. Mr. Gungow says that the annual convention of the association will be held in Vancouver on Tuesday, March 10th, in Westminster on the following Wednesday, and in Victoria on Thursday and Friday. At all of these meetings it is expected that Leong Chi-tso will speak. The election of officers this year is expected to be marked by some warm contests. For vice-president two members have been nominated from Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster.

—The annual meeting of the B. C. Fruit Growers' Association will be held in the council chamber, Victoria, at 2 p.m. on the 5th March. The public are cordially invited. J. C. Metcalfe, president; W. J. Brandt, secretary.

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—At the meeting of the Ministerial Association yesterday an interesting paper was read by Rev. Mr. Ewing on the career of the prophet Jeremiah.

—A full set of the celebrated Hyam musical instruments has been ordered by the City band from a Manchester firm through M. W. Waitt & Co.

—The proceedings of the fifth annual meeting of the shareholders of the British Columbia Permanent Loan & Savings Company are given in this issue.

—The death occurred at the Jubilee hospital last evening of Clifford Russell, of Cedar Hill, from appendicitis. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon.

—Last evening a meeting of the retail grocers was held in the Sir William Wallace hall, when the association, as a result, decided to abolish the five per cent. discount.

—The Point Ellice bridge will be closed to traffic to-day and to-morrow for the purpose of moving the railway track so that it will not interfere with the construction of the new bridge.

—The Voters' League will hold a public meeting at the city hall this evening at 8 o'clock to consider the question of an annual agricultural exhibition. All interested in this important matter are requested to attend.

—Among the new arrivals in Victoria are: J. B. McCallum and family, formerly of Vancouver, Mr. McCallum comes to fill the vacancy in the staff of the B. C. Permanent Loan & Savings Co., caused through the transfer of Mr. Cranston to Halifax.

—In the Sir William Wallace hall on Thursday evening the regular meeting of the Companions of the Forest will be held. After the transaction of the business of the evening, dancing will take place. The ninth annual Primrose ball of the Companions takes place on Friday, April 17th, and preparations for this function are already in progress.

—On Wednesday, March 11th, a meeting will be held at the Central hall, Salt Spring Island, when three important matters will be considered. These are: (a) the advisability of establishing a creamery for the island; (b) also a co-operative association to handle all farm produce, packing, fruit, etc.; (c) the desirability of purchasing a portable sawmill for the island.

—The injury received by Bernard Schwengers in the match between Nanaimo and Victoria has proved to be more serious than was at first thought. He has been confined to his house for the past three weeks, and it is not expected that he will be able to actively participate in any athletic game for at least twelve months. This will prevent him playing with the local baseball team this season.

—Percival R. Brown, who on Saturday resigned the management of the Colonist, is opening a real estate, insurance and investment business at 35 Fort street. Mr. Brown, through his long connection with the B. C. Land and Investment agency, and other financial and commercial institutions in the city, is thoroughly in touch with the commercial life of the place, besides having the confidence of the business community. He has an attractive lot of investments which he is offering through the advertising columns of the Times.

—The city librarian reports that in February there were issued 2,011 books, ladies taking 945, gentlemen 1,066. The highest number issued in one day was 153; the average number, 80. Twenty-eight new members have joined the library, 12 ladies and 16 gentlemen. Books added to the library: Edgar Allan Poe's "Shoe," by Rider Haggard; "From Earth to Moon," by Jules Verne; "Boris the Bear Hunter," by Jokai; "Last Words of Distinguished Men and Women," Reports, etc.: State of Nevada, 1901-1902; Modern Public Libraries; Canadian Bank of Commerce, New Zealand Year Book, 1900.

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—Vancouver Encampment, No. 1, I. O. O. F., will meet this evening, when the Royal Purple degree will be conferred on one patriarch. A number of delegates who are members of the patriarchal branch have been invited.

—Nanaimo won the Association football match at Duncan on Saturday by two goals to nil. Nanaimo will meet the winners of the Victoria series for the final game for the senior championship. —Nanaimo Free Press.

—The crown has conducted its side in the Robinson personation case. A similar charge was preferred against John Bove, the hearing taking place this morning. Both cases were remanded until Friday, when the defence will have its say.

—A feature of the entertainments given by the Harry Lindley company in the A. O. U. W. hall is the gymnastic exhibitions given by the artist, brother. These are clever exhibits of juggling with gun, baton and swords, each evening.

—The Home for the Aged and Infirm acknowledges with thanks the receipt of the following donations in February: Mrs. L. J. Quattrone, Mrs. Pemberton, T. Shotholt, G. Margden and N. Shakespear, newspapers; Mrs. H. D. Helme, illustrated papers; Mrs. Milligan, milk; S. G. Russell and W. J. Hanna, clothing; committee of Native Sons' ball, provisions.

—Rev. H. J. Wood will deliver a lecture on "Bernadine, the Land of the Lily and Rose," in the Reformed Episcopal church schoolroom on Wednesday week. Rev. Mr. Wood is well qualified to speak on the Atlantic island, having resided there for ten years, during which he devoted a great deal of his time to scientific pursuits. The lecture will be illustrated by eighty lantern slides.

—In addition to the daily services at Christ Church cathedral at 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., a course of Bible readings upon the Passion will be given by the Bishop on Tuesday afternoons at 3. On Wednesday evenings at 8 a series of short lectures will be delivered by Canon Beaudin on "Great Churches of the Seventeenth Century." On Friday evenings at 7.30, Rev. W. B. Allen will give a series of addresses on "The Requirements and Final Aim of Holy Communion."

—In the police court this morning a Chinaman, charged with obtaining money under false pretences, was dismissed. Another Chinaman, accused of stealing wood, was also discharged. Erring Tommy Mastill, who only yesterday was fined \$7.50 for drunkenness, was again before the court. He was given a week to pay his fine yesterday, but got drunk again with all possible dispatch, so he was speedily gathered into the fold again. This morning he was fined \$5 or ten days, the sentence to run concurrently with the one imposed yesterday.

—The following donations are thankfully acknowledged: The Aged Women's Home for February: Mrs. Patterson, Malta Vita; Mrs. Becker, brown bread; Mrs. Huckle, clothing and reading matter; Mrs. Goddard, fresh eggs; Mrs. Martin, Malta Vita; Miss Dorothy McEneaney, doughnuts, cake and fruit; Mrs. Thompson, Vancouver, cash; Native Sons, jelly and tongue; First Presbyterian Junior C. E., papers; R. B. church, bread and milk; Mrs. Pemberton, butter; Times and Colonist, daily papers; Miss Mary Watson, cash, \$2; James Dunsmuir, six tons coal.

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The Victoria Sealing Company are provisioning four more sealers for coast hunting. The Director, Carrie C. W. Victoria and Ida Etta are alongside the company's wharf in the upper harbor taking stores aboard. They will sail as soon as they can be made ready for sea. Indian crews have been obtained for them on the coast so that there is no likelihood of a repetition of the annoying difficulties which the company experienced last year in dealing with the natives. Then the company had ten of the fleet return after they had visited points on the coast and been equipped for sea, because of the obstinacy of the Indians about signing for a voyage. They were under the impression that once sealers were on the coast they could dictate their own terms as to wages. This year's crew have first been obtained and then the vessels prepared for sea. This is the case in respect to the four new outfitting. The Director, Capt. McDougal, is to go to Ahousaht; the Carrie C. W., Capt. McPhee, to Clayoquot; the Victoria, Capt. Macauley, to Clayoquot; and the Ida Etta, Capt. O'Leary, to Hesquiat. These vessels will bear the total Indian fleet up to nine, there being five now out, and six vessels carrying white crews, making a total of 15 engaged in the coast hunting, in addition to the three independent vessels. The Indians are already signed for the Behring Sea. Unlike former years they have been shipped for the whole season a convenience which will save the company big expenses when outfitting again for fall hunting, and which will prevent the possibility of a number of the advances made to the natives from not being worked out. The fleet may yet be augmented by another Indian schooner, if Indians can be secured, which will bring the total fleet out on the coast up to six more than were engaged in the same waters last year.

AORANGI'S CAPTAIN PLEASED.

Captain Phillips, of the Aorangi, early last fall had the bottom of his vessel coated with the new caustum composition. After this lengthy test, he says that he is positive the anti-fouling paint will prove of incalculable value to shipowners. The captain says that his position has been on my ship for about six months and in that time he has made two trips to Australia and back, passed through the South Sea Islands four times, and spent about ten weeks lying in harbor; and yet, on my arrival in Vancouver on the present trip she was perfectly clean. Another composition, which was put on part of the ship in October last in Sydney drydock, had grass on it for five inches long. This clearly proves the superiority of the new Canadian material, and I think that the inventor, Mr. C. W. T. Piper, has every reason to feel gratified at the result. Shipowners generally are greatly interested in the caustum composition, for experiments are demonstrating that it will effect an enormous saving in the cost of docking and scraping.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast of wind and weather that will prevail during the month of March on the North Pacific Ocean is given in the North Pacific Pilot chart: To the northward of the 45th degree the wind will veer from east-northeast (with falling barometer). Immediately under the coast the more frequent direction will be southeast. To the westward of the 125th degree the most frequent direction will be north-west, gales from all quarters will be strong, and will occur at brief intervals. Between the 40th and 45th degree north the same sequence of winds will accompany similar barometric conditions, the percentage of southerly winds diminishing, of the northerly winds increasing, as we leave the coast. To the southward of the 40th degree the prevailing direction will be northwest, and winds with easterly will be rare, especially under the coast.

NEW FRISCO LINERS.

According to yesterday's Post-Intelligencer the Pacific Coast Steamship Company contemplate placing two new steamers on the Victoria and San Francisco line in the near future. In summer months the pressing necessity for either more or faster and larger ships on the route has been apparent for some time, especially in the season of excursions when the present vessels in service have had more business than they could conveniently handle. The new steamers which are soon to be ordered will be between 3,000 and 4,000 tons, and will have accommodations for more than 300 first class passengers. J. C. Ford, general manager of the company at Seattle, in an interview with the Post-Intelligencer is quoted as saying: "We have been figuring for some time on having two big modern steamers. There was some talk for a time of purchasing two Atlantic boats now in operation, but there were details which we thought absolutely necessary for our ships which were lacking in the Eastern ones, and so that plan fell through. Such liners as we need will cost more than \$1,000,000 each, and will take a year to build. While we could use these vessels to great advantage if we had them at present, still we will be

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HARRY LINDLEY OPENS
IN "SPECIAL DEPOSIT"Excellent Performance by the Veteran's
Company in the A.O.U.W. Hall
Last Evening.

Veteran Harry Lindley, the actor who for more than three decades has entertained audiences of Canada and the United States, led his company into popular favor at the A. O. U. W. hall last night. The opening bill was "A Special Deposit," a drama which gave all the members of the company opportunities to display their ability. Mr. Lindley had the role of Johnny Dunn, a limb of the law, and of course was responsible for most of the merriment. Little Myrtle, who several years ago showed her cleverness in the same amusement place, had the part of Jimmy Dunn, the irresponsible urchin, and certainly gave evidence of marked improvement. The part of Kitty Gorman was in the capable hands of Miss Nellie Long, who filled the role most creditably. Of the other members of the company Ward B. Matthei as Joe Gorman, R. L. Deeks as the hero and Frank G. Long as the villain, certainly scored well with the audience. The remaining parts were in good hands. Altogether the company is an excellent one, and well worth seeing. "A Special Deposit" will be presented again this evening, while the comedy, "My Uncle From Japan," will hold the boards to-morrow evening.

Coronation Concert Party.
The Coronation Glee and Concert party, which arrived in America after the coronation for an extended tour as far west as the Pacific coast, is under the direction of Edward Branscombe, lay-church of Westminster Abbey, who so successfully organized and directed the Westminster Abbey Choir Glee and Concert party last season. The Coronation Choir party is larger in numbers, and the boy voices have been increased. It is composed of the principal adult singers and leading boy voices who sang at the coronation of their Majesty King Edward VII. and Queen Alexandra on August 9th. Of the adults Madame Marie Hooton and Mr. Branscombe will be familiar, but Albert Archdeacon is one of the finest baritones in England, and in addition to the choir singing, has gained fame in organic work, while James Leyland, the tenor, has a magnificent voice with splendid high notes. The male alto solo by Percy Coward will be an absolute novelty. Of the boys Master Leonard Hubbard and Master Reginald Hyde are the two finest boy sopranos in England. The concert here will be held to-night and to-morrow night at the Victoria theatre.

A few particulars as to the programme for the concert may be of interest. The music will include the following: Madrigals, "Now Is the Month of Maying," composed so long ago as the 16th century, by Thomas Morley; "This Pleasant Month of May," William Byrd (1815); glee, "Oh By Rivers," Sir Henry Bishop; "The Bells of St. Michael's Tower," William Knvett (1770-1856); "When Allen-a-Dale Went to a Hunt," R. L. de Persall (1795-1856), in addition to such modern part songs as "The Dawn of Day," Samuel Bayly, and "Sweet and Low," Sir Joseph Barnby, and "Oh, Hush Thee My Baby," Sir Arthur Sullivan. In the solo department such old and familiar favorites as "The Oak and the Ash," "Doon the Burn," "The Laird o' Cockpen," "The Ash Grove," Killarney, "Oft in the Stilly Night," "The Meeting of the Waters," "Loch Lomond," and others will find place, the whole scheme affording an opportunity not often met with for rekindling memories of the Old Country.

Among the delegates to the farmers' convention staying at the Dominion hotel are the following: J. Cade, of Mission City; B. W. Bayne, of Kelowna; J. Whistler, of Agassiz; H. Hasele, of Langley; D. Matheson, of Armstrong; J. Armstrong, of Surrey; J. W. Brantford, of Ladang; E. D. Curry, of Kamloops; Capt. W. F. Stewart, of Courne; and C. F. Higginson, of Chilliwack.

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